AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph on page 13 starting at line 28 of the Specification with the following amended paragraph:

At block 604, the information source 220 publishes a mint to group A. For example, in one embodiment, information source 220 transmits a publish command to group A (which includes mint information), to node 202. As part of the underlying routing protocol, node 202 is aware that node 206 is the RP for the group A. As a result, node 202 routes the publish instruction toward the RP where it is eventually received. In another embodiment, the information source 202-220 can another embodiment, the information source 220 can query the network, using a directory

Please replace the paragraph on page 14 starting at the line 22 of the Specification with the following amended paragraph:

FIG. 7 shows the network 200 of FIG. 5 wherein changes to the membership of group A are shown. Note, for example, that the membership for group A is increased from the group designated by line 750, to the group designated by line 752, which includes node 212.